





“The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth.... Industrial waste and chemical products utilized in cities and agricultural areas can lead to bioaccumulation in the organisms of the local population, even when levels of toxins in those places are low.

Frequently no measures are taken until after people’s health has been irreversibly affected.”

Pope Francis, Laudato Si’





Protecting Human Life and Caring for Creation



Protecting Human Life and Caring for Creation: (2008) Why Protecting Unborn Children in Their First Environment Matters

- The conference brought together leading scientists and heads of Catholic organizations to examine the latest science on the impact of environmental toxins on unborn children.
- The ethical and moral implications of environmental hazards on children were examined through the lens of Catholic social teaching.

“It is essential to seek comprehensive solutions which consider the interactions within natural systems themselves and with social systems.

We are faced not with two separate crises, one environmental and the other social, but rather with one complex crisis which is both social and environmental.

Strategies for a solution demand an integrated approach to combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time protecting nature.”

Pope Francis, Laudato Si’



